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Sir:

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56 and 1.97-1.98, Applicant hereby transmit a copy of the document listed in the attached Form PTO-1449, which may be deemed material to the examination of the above-identified application.

As indicated, the documents include English abstracts and therefore, no statement of relevance is required. Also, since the present Information Disclosure Statement is being filed prior to issuance of a first Office Action on the merits, no certification under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(e) or fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(p) is required.

The listed documents were cited in an Official Action issued on April 5, 2005 by the Japanese Patent Office in one of the Patent priority applications relating to the above-

identified U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 10/686,539. For the Examiner's reference, a copy of the Japanese Official Action in which these documents were cited is attached.

The Examiner is requested to consider the attached documents in connection with the above-identified application and to return a copy of Form PTO-1449 to the Applicant with the Examiner's initials in the space provided.

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Respectfully submitted,

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